



IPv6 Multicast

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IPv6 restores end-to-end multimedia collaboration





Why IPv6 multicast?

- Efficiently deploy and scale distributed group applications across the network
- Enterprise-wide content distribution model
- Solve traffic congestion problems
- Specific multicast benefits such as scope management







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IPv6 multicast addresses

- IPv6 uses a 16bytes/128 bits address length
- 3 types of address in IPv6:

Unicast: one-to-one with various scopes (I.e.:Global,Link,Unique Local)

Anycast: one-to-nearest (allocated from unicast)

Multicast: one-to-many

There is no longer a Broadcast address!

- All Multicast addresses begin with the format prefix 1111 1111 – easily written as FF
- Due to address length, often are sequences that include long zero series. Users often compress zeros as:

FF05:0:0:0:0:0:2 => FF05::2





For example of an address with the scope set is the 'all' routers addresses below:

FF01:0:0:0:0:0:0:2 with a scope of the local node.

FF02:0:0:0:0:0:0:2 with a scope of the local link.





IPv6 multicast addresses

The "meaning" of a permanently-assigned multicast address is independent of the scope value. For example, if the "NTP servers group" is assigned a permanent multicast address with a group ID of 101 (hex), then:

• FF01:0:0:0:0:0:0101 means all NTP servers on the same node as the sender.

• FF02:0:0:0:0:0:0:101 means all NTP servers on the same link as the sender.

• FF05:0:0:0:0:0:0:101 means all NTP servers at the same site as the sender.

FF0E:0:0:0:0:0:0:101 means all NTP servers in the internet





RFC 3306 Unicast-Prefix-based IPv6 Multicast

The P flag indicates a prefix. Within IPv6 multicast, this flag allows part of the group address to include the source network's Unicast prefix, which creates a globally unique Group Address.

• Solves the old IPv4 address assignment problem:

How can I get global IPv4 multicast addresses (GLOB, ..)







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IPv6 Multicast Features



Group Concept

Multicast is based on the concept of a group.

A multicast group is an arbitrary group of receivers that expresses an interest in receiving a particular data stream.

This group has no physical or geographical boundaries—the receivers can be located anywhere on the Internet or in a private network.

Receivers that are interested in receiving data flowing to a particular group must join the group by signalling their local router.

This signalling is achieved with MLD protocol, which is the IPv6 equivalent of the IGMP protocol on IPv4.

The network then delivers data to potentially unlimited receivers, using only one copy of the multicast data per subnet.



IPv6 Multicast Features



Protocol Independent Multicast v2 (PIMv2)

Provides intradomain multicast forwarding for all underlying unicast routing protocols

Independent from any underlying unicast protocol such as OSPF or MP-BGP

Sparse mode: relies upon an explicit joining method before attempting to send multicast data to receivers of a multicast group

Multicast Listener Discovery (MLD) v1 & v2

Protocol used by IPv6 hosts to communicate multicast group membership states to local multicast routers

Version 2 of MLD adds source awareness to the protocol. This allows the inclusion or exclusion of sources.

MLDv2 is required for Source Specific Multicast (SSM)

PIM Source Specific Multicast

SSM forwarding uses only source-based forwarding trees.

SSM range is defined for inter domain use.



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Multiprotocol Border Gateway Protocol

Multiprotocol extensions to the BGP unicast inter-domain protocol that carry multicast specific routing information.

Adds capabilities to BGP to enable multicast routing policy throughout the Internet and connect multicast topologies between BGP autonomous systems.

Carries multiple instances of routes, for unicast and multicast routing.

Boot Strap Router (BSR)

BSR is a mechanism where a PIM router learns the set of group-to-RP mappings required for PIM SM

Static Rendezvous Point

Allow the manual configuration of the IPv6 PIM SM RP address

Embedded Rendezvous Point

Utilizes unicast based prefix addressing to include within the group address (the Rendezvous Point address)





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IPv6 Multicast Service Models



ASM – Any Source Multicast

(Traditionally just called IP Multicast)

Service description: RFC1112 (no update for IPv6 done yet)

MLDv1 RFC2710 or MLDv2, PIM-Sparse Mode (PIM-SM),

Bidirectional PIM (PIM-bidir)

Use ASM for legacy, dynamic- or many-source multi-party application, try to limit their use to Intradomain:

SSM – Source Specific Multicast

Service description (IPv4/IPv6): draft-ietf-ssm-overview-xx.txt MLDv2 required

PIM-SSM – not a separate protocol, just a subset of PIM-SM !

Unicast prefix based multicast addresses ff30::/12

SSM range is ff3X::/32, current allocation is from ff3X::/96

Use SSM for media-broadcast or interdomain applications due to simplicity and protection from DoS attacks.





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IPv6 Multicast & Layer2



- Media Access Control (MAC) layer addresses within Ethernet are 48 bit addresses. These 48 bits comprise:
 - 24 bits for the Organizational Unit Identifier (OUI) and
 - 24 bits for serial number of the card, which becomes the remainder of the unique address.

The address of a multicast group does not relate to a physical device, but rather to a transient group of devices;therefore, the MAC address format uses a special OUI.

- The OUI for IPv4 Multicast is 01:00:5E. 24 bits are available for the group address possible address overlap at Layer2.
- There is a new OUI format for IPv6 Multicast: The leading two Bytes are set to 33-33, while the following 4 bytes/32bits are available for address mapping from the last 32 bits of the 128 bit Multicast address.





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Host to router signaling



- MLD is equivalent to IGMP in IPv4
- Sub protocol of ICMP: MLD messages are transported over ICMPv6
- MLD uses link local source addresses (hop limit 1, router alert option)
- Version number confusion: MLDv1 (RFC2710) like IGMPv2 (RFC2236) MLDv2 (draft) like IGMPv3 (RFC3376) MLDv2 enables IPv6 to use SSM operation
- Service Model requirements:

ASM – MLDv1 sufficient

SSM – Requires MLDv2 (*Fully backward compatible with MLDv1 on hosts*)





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Multicast domains



- A PIM domain is topology served by common RP for all sources and receivers of same group.
- A routing domain is consistent with AS.

Its necessary to constrain the PIM messages, rpmappings and data for groups within the PIM domain:

-In IPv4 we used multicast boundary/ BSR border

-In IPv6 we use scopes and zones

• SSM

No RP or shared tree procedures (SPT only)

MLDv2 (IPv6) required

FF3x::/96

• ASM

PIM-SM need RP





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Protocol Independent Multicast



• Sparse-Mode

PIM-SM uses a pull model to deliver multicast traffic. Only network segments with active receivers, which explicitly request the data, will receive the traffic.

PIM-SM distributes information about active sources by forwarding data packets on the shared tree.

PIM-SM initially uses shared-trees so it requires the use of a rendezvous point

Sources register with the RP and subsequently forward data down the shared tree to the receivers

PIM-SM has an inter-domain deployment problem as there is no MSDP like protocol. Static use is acceptable in the intradomain.

SSM

PIM SSM bypasses the shared Tree and immediately creates the Shortest Path Tree, as MLDv2 can specify the source in its request to the local router

PIM SSM deployment may work for the inter-domain





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RP Operations

Static RP

For PIM-SM

Provides Group-to-RP mapping, no RP-redundancy





RP Operations

Boot Strap Router (BSR)



Provides Group-to-RP mapping AND RP Redundancy





RP Operations









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Configuration: MLD



6net.auth.gr#sh ipv6 mld interface fa2/0.112 FastEthernet2/0.112 is up, line protocol is up Internet address is FE80::208:A4FF:FEA7:7C38/10 MLD is enabled on interface Current MLD version is 2 MLD query interval is 125 seconds MLD querier timeout is 255 seconds MLD max query response time is 10 seconds Last member query response interval is 1 seconds MLD activity: 660 joins, 646 leaves MLD querying router is FE80::208:A4FF:FEA7:7C38 (this system)

6net.auth.gr#sh ipv6 mld traffic MLD Traffic Counters Elapsed time since counters cleared: 7w0d

Valid IGMP Packets Queries Reports Leaves Mtrace packets	Received 2327436 55919 1107555 244 0	Sent 458506 201374 257136 0 0
Errors: Malformed Packets Bad Checksums Martian source		0 0 190

Packets Received on MLD-disabled Interface 6



Configuration: MP-BGP



```
router bgp 5470
no bgp default ipv4-unicast
bgp log-neighbor-changes
neighbor 2001:648:0:1006::1 remote-as 5408
neighbor 2001:648:0:1006::1 description GRNET-6NET-ROUTER
!
address-family ipv6
neighbor 2001:648:0:1006::1 activate
neighbor 2001:648:0:1006::1 soft-reconfiguration inbound
network 2001:648:202::/48
exit-address-family
!
```

address-family ipv6 multicast neighbor 2001:648:0:1006::1 activate neighbor 2001:648:0:1006::1 soft-reconfiguration inbound network 2001:648:202::/48 exit-address-family



Configuration: MP-BGP



6net.auth.gr#sh bgp ipv6 multicast sum BGP router identifier 155.207.199.119, local AS number 5470 BGP table version is 326611, main routing table version 326611 Neighbor AS MsgRcvd MsgSent TblVer InQ OutQ Up/Down State/PfxRcd v 2001:648:0:1006::1 4 5408 446896 133790 326611 71 0 0 4d07h BGP neighbor is 2001:648:0:1006::1, remote AS 5408, external link Description: GRNET-6NET-ROUTER BGP version 4, remote router ID 2.2.2.2 BGP state = Established, up for 4d07hLast read 00:00:16, hold time is 180, keepalive interval is 60 seconds Neighbor capabilities: Route refresh: advertised and received(old & new) Address family IPv6 Unicast: advertised and received Address family IPv6 Multicast: advertised and received Next Hop Metric LocPrf Weight Path Network 0 5408 6680 1717 ? *> 3FFE:400F:F000::/48 2001:648:0:1006::1 0 5408 6680 1717 2549 ? *> 3FFE:4013:22BB::/48 2001:648:0:1006::1 0 5408 6680 1717 2549 ? *> 3FFE:82F0::/28 2001:648:0:1006::1 0 5408 6680 1717 2549 i *> 3FFE:82F0:4000::/48 2001:648:0:1006::1 0 5408 6680 1717 2549 ?

Configuration: PIM-SM & BSR



6net.auth.gr#sh ipv6 pim neighbor Neighbor Address Interface Expires DR pri Bidir Uptime FE80::C2B1:D2DA Tunnel900 4d07h 00:01:40 1 (DR) B 6net.auth.gr#sh ipv6 pim bsr election PIMv2 BSR information BSR Election Information Scope Range List: ff00::/8 BSR Address: 2001:660:3007:300:1:: Uptime: 4d07h, BSR Priority: 255, Hash mask length: 126 RPF: FE80::C2B1:D2DA,Tunnel900 BS Timer: 00:02:02 BSR Election Information for Unassigned(B) Zone Scope Range List: ffXB::/16 BSR Address: 2001:798:28::1 Uptime: 4d07h, BSR Priority: 5, Hash mask length: 126 RPF: FE80::C2B1:D2DA,Tunnel900 BS Timer: 00:01:37



Configuration: PIM-SM & BSR



6net.auth.gr#sh ipv6 pim group-map

```
FF3E:30:2001:700:1:FFFF::/96*
SM, RP: 2001:700:E000:501::2
RPF: Tu900,FE80::C2B1:D2DA
Info source: BSR From: 2001:660:3007:300:1::(00:01:40), Priority: 4
Uptime: 4d07h, Groups: 0
FF3E:20:2001:660::/64*
SM, RP: 2001:660:3007:300:1::
RPF: Tu900,FE80::C2B1:D2DA
Info source: BSR From: 2001:660:3007:300:1::(00:01:40), Priority: 5
Uptime: 4d07h, Groups: 0
FF3E:20:2001:660::/64*
SM, RP: 2001:660:3007:300:1::
RPF: Tu900,FE80::C2B1:D2DA
Info source: BSR From: 2001:798:28::1(00:02:15), Priority: 5
Uptime: 4d07h, Groups: 0
```



Configuration: PIM-SM & BSR



```
FF3F::/32*
    SSM
    Info source: Static
    Uptime: 3w3d, Groups: 0
FF02::/16*
    L-Local
    Info source: Default
    Uptime: 3w3d, Groups: 23
FF0B::/16*
    SM, RP: 2001:610:14:5145::145
    RPF: Tu900, FE80::C2B1:D2DA
    Info source: BSR From: 2001:798:28::1(00:02:06), Priority: 100
    Uptime: 15:06:24, Groups: 0
FF0B::/16*
    SM, RP: 2001:610:14:5145::145
    RPF: Tu900, FE80::C2B1:D2DA
    Info source: BSR From: 2001:660:3007:300:1::(00:01:30), Priority: 100
    Uptime: 4d07h, Groups: 0
FF0B::/16
    SM, RP: 2001:620:0:C000::1
    RPF: Tu900, FE80::C2B1:D2DA
    Info source: BSR From: 2001:798:28::1(00:02:06), Priority: 192
    Uptime: 4d07h, Groups: 0
```



Configuration: PIM-SM tunnels



Tunnel5* Type : PIM Encap : 2001:610:14:5145::145 RP Source: 2001:648:0:1006::2 Tunnel1* Type : PIM Encap : 2001:620:0:C000::1 RP Source: 2001:648:0:1006::2 Tunnel3* Type : PIM Encap RP : 2001:660:3007:300:1:: Source: 2001:648:0:1006::2 Tunnel2* Type : PIM Encap RP : 2001:760:600::1 Source: 2001:648:0:1006::2 Tunnel4* Type : PIM Encap : 2001:700:E000:501::2 RP Source: 2001:648:0:1006::2 6net.auth.gr#sh int tunnel 2 Tunnel2 is up, line protocol is up Hardware is Tunnel MTU 1514 bytes, BW 9 Kbit, DLY 500000 usec, reliability 255/255, txload 1/255, rxload 1/255 Encapsulation TUNNEL, loopback not set Keepalive not set Tunnel source 2001:648:0:1006::2 (Tunnel900), destination 2001:760:600::1 G Tunnel protocol/transport PIM/IPv6, key disabled, sequencing disabled R Checksumming of packets disabled Tunnel is transmit only



Questions

